

The Sign Of The True Jew

2:17-29

Claim: No one is more privileged than the Jew. 17-20

- Five privileges a proud Jew would claim are listed. How true are they? See Dt.4:5-8, 7:6, Jer. 9:23,24, Ps.119:104.
- Four prerogatives a proud Jew enjoys are listed. How true are they? See Ps. 119:98, Isa. 49:6, Jn. 4:22.

Question: But how obedient to the Law is the Jew? 21-24

- Five rhetorical questions are fired at Mr. Jew to expose his failure/hypocrisy, 2:1-3, Matt. 23. This ensures judgment.
- Not practicing what one preaches caused blasphemy, see II Sam. 12:14, Isa. 52:5, Ezk. 36:20. Can we do the same?

Correction: Here is the true mark of the Jew. 25-20

- Circumcision = sign of God's covenant w/Abe, Gen. 17:9ff.
- Best circumcision = Jer. 4:4, Dt. 10:16, Acts 7:51, Gal. 5:6.
- Paul isn't equating Jews and Gentiles; they remain distinct.
- How might this principle about circumcision apply today?

